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1. SECRETARIAT HAS PROVIDED FOLLOWING VERY
TENTATIVE ESTIMATES FOR A PART II STEEL COMMITTEE:

- A. STAFF WOULD NEED TO CONSIST OF
4 OR 5 PROFESSIONALS, ONE CONSULTANT,
AND 4 CLERICAL STAFF.
- B. TOTAL ANNUAL COST WOULD BE ABOUT
3.5 MILLION FRANCS (OF WHICH STAFF IS
2.4 MILLION AND OVERHEAD 1.1 MILLION).
US SHARE OF THIS, AS USUAL, WOULD BE
LIMITED TO 25 PERCENT.

2. SECRETARIAT FEELS VERY STRONGLY THAT THESE
RESOURCES MUST BE INCREMENTAL, I.E. THAT ESTABLISH-
MENT OF COMMITTEE AS PART II ACTIVITY SHOULD NOT
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RESULT IN REDUCTION OF PART I RESOURCES. WHILE
EXISTING AD HOC STEEL GROUP IS FINANCED OUT OF
PART I BUDGET, IT HAS UTILIZED STAFF AND OTHER
RESOURCES DIVERTED FROM ONGOING ACTIVITIES ON A
TEMPORARY BASIS.

3. ESTIMATES ABOVE DO NOT INCLUDE PROVISION FOR

SPECIAL ONE-SHOT EVENTS THAT STEEL COMMITTEE MIGHT
WANT TO CONSIDER. SECRETARIAT ESTIMATES THAT A
LARGE CONFERENCE SUCH AS THAT BEING PROPOSED BY
LABOR GROUPS WOULD COST 200,000-30,0 FRANCS.
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